

Sunday:

Please look outside when you get this email so you can see how dark it is!

I could not do a count today, but even with street closures in Hollywood, and important football games on tv, there was still a continuous stream of people going up and down Beachwood Drive. It was anything but a slow day. You can not underestimate the free attraction at the end of the street.

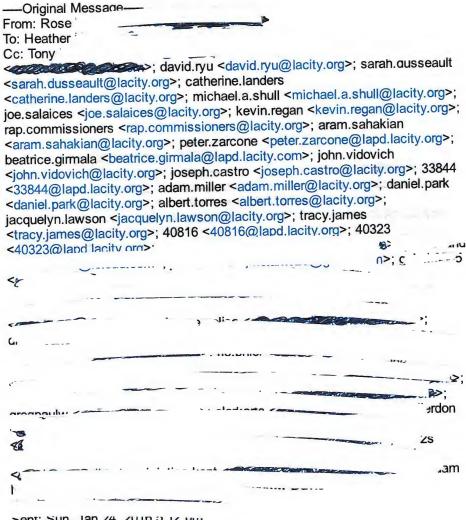
I just returned from a quick drive down to the market and back . There were dozens of people  $% \left\{ 1,2,\ldots,n\right\}$ 

in the street in the dark. I quickly counted at least a half a dozen families. One was dealing with an infant while two young children or toddlers were running down the street several car lengths ahead of the parent—all in the dark!!! There was also a skate boarder coming down the middle of the street. I was trying to film it, and it was so dark out he stopped to ask me if I was able to film him in the dark, because he would like a copy!

Many of the people I speak with up here—myself included—have had at least one near miss almost hitting a pedestrian—usually a child. When someone is hit it's not just a tragedy for the person and the family of the person who is hit, it changes the life of the driver forever. Since we are the ones that most frequent the streets, chances are it will be a resident who will end up hitting someone up here. Please, please I implore you to spare us that tragedy. You the City should have more sense than the families that let their little kids run ahead in the street. On the other hand, you are the ones promoting all this so they must think it's magically safe. Why would the City purposely send people, families, little kids to where it is dangerous?

Please use common sense. Please put safety first. Shut this down now!!!!

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## Councilman Ryu

There is an appropriate place for everything. You don't pee in the sink even though it has a drain because it's not appropriate... You pee in the bathroom toilet. Channeling tourists through a residential neighborhood when there are appropriate entrances in the park is like peeing in the sink. Use your common sense and close down the community to this outrageous and overwhelming amount of tourists and put all your department heads together to come up with a better way for the public to view or hike to the sign.

Until you do help us gate these communities. Both Hollywoodland and Lake Hollywood estates were developed to be gated communities but both developers ran out of money in the final stages and gates were never put up. The streets, lighting and other infrastructure were built by these developers so the City didn't pay a dime to construct them and certainly hasn't spent a dime to maintain them since their inception either.

It's time to get these communities gated as nothing else will stem the escalating flow of tourists filling our streets.

For all the homeowners who think they are not affected by this....Take down the sawhorse barricades on your streets and you will realize how bad the